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A Naval Board Reports the Cruiser Almost three weeks will be required to put the triple screw cruiser Columbia in

ndition for use as a receiving ship at The inspection board, consisting of Rear Admiral Evans, Naval Constructor

Woodward, Captain Folger, and Lieuenant Rodgers, which examined the cruber ant Rodgers, which examined the cruiser Friday, has submitted its report to the department. The board reported that the Columbia is very dirty, and it would not be surprising should further action be taken by the department.

In their report, the board states that the Columbia having been in ordinary the Columbia having been in ordinary wear many months with only such care and attention as was necessary to preserve her from deterioration, she will not be ready to receive men until she has been thoroughly cleaned. This work is now in progress, and will require twelve days from the 2th to complete. The general overhauling of the pumping, drainage, sanitary, and ventilation systems will require about eighteen days to complete before the vessel can be occupied.

Malaria, Chills, and Fever-

Not Theological Discussion But Living the Christ-Like Life.

haracter Judged Not by Professions of Christianity, But by Actions Toward Our Fellow Men, Says Dr. J. A. Roudthaler, of Chicago.

Dr. J. A. Roudthaler, of the Fullerton Avenue Church, Chicago, conducted the services at the Church of the Covenant yesterday. The text of his sermon was taken from Romans xiii:14: "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ." He handled it in a most interesting manner. Some of the ideas advanced being decidedly original. His sermon made a decided impression on

the congregation. He said in part;

"The gospel of Jesus Christ is not primarily a book or a message, nor is it a formula of belief, nor a code of morals. nor a bunch of definitions about things, nor a parable or a story. First of all, and above all, it is a life of the Divine among men. We have not defined the whole gos-pel when we point to the four evangelists in the New Testament, and say that it is all there. Only in a limited sense is that true, for the life they record is a per-petual life among men and in men. You cannot say you have read the gospel when you began with Matthew and read through to the last chapter of John. There are volumes of it in the life of today that are not put in print and bound up in a book. The accent is in every diword that is spoken in your hear-

"Let us read in the large gospel of today, whatever in the hospital relieves pain or cures, has the divine truth; whatver among men is co-operative in mutual helpfulness and support is a breath of the divine; whatever in the homes is tender in love, quiet and restful, is the breath of Bethany Christ. Whatever lifts your own spirit into the divine atmos-phere of forgiveness, is the perpetuation of the gospel. Whatever makes you a fair man and a just man in the Christ's sure, is the gospel of his righteousness. Whatever overcomes a temptation is the gospel of the Wilderness beyond

"Men are always putting distance ween God and humanity, and God is alan actual life lived here. Then men say, 'O. yes, what has Christ done, being raised so far above humanity that he cannot be attained. But the Epistles are always saying, 'Christ in you,' 'put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ.' That does not mean miracles that are attributed to The Epistles do not ask that. It does not mean repeat the details of his life; that cannot be done. He lived in Palestine, we in America. Two thousand years have made a vast difference in all conditions and circumstances of the outward life. You cannot squeeze the world back into the little strip of country between the Mediterranean and the Jor-dan. But you can put the spirit of the sermon breathed on the Mount into the

the Christianity of a book, but they do believe in the Christianity of their mothers, and they are not analytical at They may smile in a kindly way about her superstitions, but they do not her great love for them, that breathes her goodness and pureness into them. The impress of the personality is the most in-We forget a book, but the living breath of a character is immortal in un

because it is the living experience of a may change, but man continues to love nd to hate, to enjoy and to suffer, to be glad and to be sorry. A book can at best e but a dictation, but a life shares the ommon love and hatred, the common enjoyment and suffering. Jesus Christ oved the world and hated its Pharisees and hypocrites. He was happy enough want his disciples to share his joy, and his soul was sorrowful even unto death. In the end he did not say receive the rec-

'Again, if the gospel were a formula of bellef, Christianky would be a theory, If I were of an inventive mind of sufficlent power I could sit in my study and out a theory about things and bring it to you here on Sunday morning. Then

work out a theory about things and bring it to you here on Sunday morning. Then if I had the power of an orator I could so defend it and impress it as to convince you, or at lenst, carry you with me in mental acquiescnee. But when you went away you would in the end have to prove the truth or failacy of my system by practical life.

"From the negative side we have a notorious instance of the effect of a life upon a theory. In the utter ruin that one man has made of a movement that was having a phenomenal growth inspired by his theories of social life, Prof. Herron has been preaching and lecturing all through the country, a theory of Christian socialism that has captivated thousands. He has been hailed as a new prophet, the oracle of a new era of universal right. But the whole thing breaks down under the weight of his contradictory life. All his strictures, anathemas, and fifty arguments against wealth are as so much chaff before the winds, because wealth has captured him, and he has stooped to do an unmanly thing under its power. All his fine theoretical moratity is torn into shreads and trampled in the dust by his own breakdown in the common ethics of a husband's duty. It is true both in a positive and negative sense that the life is a linal test of every theory. There is no criticism that sharpness and tremendousness of judgment is equal to the criticism of life. What can stand that test can stand every

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"I think we may err in idealizing Christ to much, that is, we may put him so far bove all human attainment that there no reasonable impulse left to reach im and love him, and, in so doing, we estroy the first great object of his mison to prove the possibility of the union of the divine and the human. It is possible to make Jesus Christ too much a od, sind nor enough the divine man, who wed his divinity among men as an evicence that God can dwell and work and lingle in men. It is quite right to pay ence that God can dwell and work and ingle in men. It is quite right to pay lyine honors to Christ in worship, in yians, in expressions of prayer, and ormulas of bellef. Students do well to peculate on the measure of the divine and human natures in Christ. But what he world needs for its salvation, and that man needs for his comfort and peace and forgiveness, is the conviction that are divinity in Christ could be, and is apparted; that as Peter says, man is cap-bic of becoming a partaker of the divine coming a partaker of the divine

### THE QUEST OF PERFECTION.

At the Pence Cross on Mount St. Al. bans Chaplain Pierce Speaks. A congregation of several hundred peo

ple attended evensong at 5 o'clock last evening at the Peace Cross on the site of the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Mount St Albans. The first part of th service was conducted by the rector, the Rev. G. C. Bratenahl. The sermon was delivered by Chaplain Pierce, of the Eleventh United States Cavalry, stationed at Fort Myer, Va., who took his text from Second Peter iii:18: "But grow in grace and in knowledge of our Lord and viour."

Chaplain Pierce spoke of one's exper believe in their own perfection, and who would speak as an authority on any subject which might be under discussion. So far as his own investigations had gone, ever sweet and lovable, generous and kind they might be, had the faults and fallings which one is accustomed to find in human beings, and that it were idle to suppose otherwise, saying that the vary ing degrees of approach toward perfecman endeavor exerted by individuals through Christian faith and fortitude. Chaplain Pierce continued:

"This is such an age of marvels, when men can manufacture almost anything, when by chemical action they are even that the Church is looked upon by many of its critics as an institution for the man-ufacture of perfection, as if by some mysterious alchemy the soul that is earth-stained shall at once be transformed into a beatific and saintly condition. But many of us have long since realized that there is no patent process from which spintship can result, any more than there is a communicable secret whereby an infant may at once bound into

man's estate.

"I am just weak enough to be glad that the world is not overstocked with perfect people, and for no other reason than the believe that too many samples of perfection would be oppressive. We would be dodging them on the street corners-not because their virtues would not be affree-able and attractive, but because their display of character's ideal actually realized. the difficult attainment actually achieved, ween God and humanity, and God is at-ways eliminating that distance in Christ, godliness, just as the last contestants in a race will so often give up and drop out would dishearten us in our beginnings of when they see the man who has dis-tanced them already at the goal.

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"And then, if perfection were an earthly attainment the Bible would have to be rewritten to make it fit the new condition of actualized ideals. There would be no place in it for Abraham, who, though mentioned as the friend of God, was very human after all, and did some things that were ethically improper. Nor should we have Jacob, with his shrewdness; nor Noah, with his occasional bibulous outbreaks; nor Simon Feter, nor John, with their peculiar characteristics. But with so many imperfect characters portrayed, the good old book is given such an air of reality and sincerity, I know it to be written for men like me.

"It does not come to us who are less than the least of all saint: calling us to an impossible goodness, and taunting us with a view of men ideal in every sense, and, therefore, out of touch with us and valueless as teachers. It is no fairy tale for magic men, but as a real book for real men. It shows us how men of like passions with ourselves have fought the battle of life and have won. And as in the didactic, it sets forth remedies for our daily like, and offers counsel and help to men whose hearts are constantly the battleground for forces of good and evil. It shows how we, too, in common with its tempted and some times yielding characters, may be fitted for a holler realm. And as in the text the method to be pusued is one of development and growth.

"St. Peter, who wrote the words, was not the man to expect maturity in the disciples at a single bound. His own experience forbade so Utopian a dream. In this chapter he holds his readers to the thought of spotlessness as an altimate end of their striving, but he is careful to

gation and then adjured him to attempt some positive acquirements.

"He was put here in the words of Genesis, to replenish the earth and to subdue it. He was not created a master, but with the ability to become master. The idea that a man could leopardize his religion by any sort of scientific enquiry was unknown in the Garden of Eden. Adam's God and nature's God were one and the same, and he put the man he had formed into such relations to nature that he should delve into its secrets and solve its problems and experiment with its resources until he should know it, and so know more of him.

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"Knowledge of truth of any sort should not only broaden man's horizon but add to his knowledge of God. And not only are we advanced by knowledge of nature that is beneath us, but that part of nature which is about us—the knowledge of life."

#### A HONEYMOON OF SORROWS. Misfortunes Cause a Groom to Send

Away His Bride. DANBURY, Conn., Aug. 11.-Morgan Burgess, a young business man of Green Ridge, who married three weeks ago sent her back to her parents, probably never to see her again. Burgess loves his bride, but he is firmly convinced that she has drawn around him some evil spirit and that his life would be in danger if

he did not get rid of her. Vermont newspaper which had been used in wrapping up merchandise which he purchased for his general store. Idly glancing over the pages of the paper in an account of a social entertainment He did so and a few days later received

couple to continue the correspondence, with the result that Burgess went to Vermont to bring Miss Godwin back as his bride. When the young man assisted his bride from the carriage in front of the house Mrs. Burgess came out to meet him, wondering who her son's companion was.

"Mother," said Burgess, "this is my wife whom I have branch from Vermont

able of becoming a partaker of the divine mature.

"Our preaching must not send people away with the thought that Jesus Christ is unstainable, but that he is obtainable. That it is possible for humanity to reach him, snot only in worship and appreciation, but in actual fact—in spirit—that he can be put on in everyday life. Freaching fails if it sends people away with the thought. Oh, well, that was Christ, and then leave him in the mid-air of an over-wrought idealism. That is death to all vital faith.

"Jesus Christ is really only preached to men when they go away with a firm conviction that it is possible to reach him in the spirit of his life here on earth. That is a hopeless idealism. Christian faith is regulative and constructive. It regulates the motive decides the determination, and it constructs the character, it forms the habit of thought, it defines right and wrong, it decides the higher and lower, it inspires.

"Religion merety is to be acted upon by God from without, Christianity is to have the divine within. Let us be Christians." Whenever you speak of the divine in wester for her destination.

"Mother," said Burgess, "this is my wife whom I have brought from Verment as a surprise to you. It was a surprise to you. It was a surprise to you wird with a field dead at his feet. The doctors said the cause of death was heart failure. Two nights after the functor of the aburded of the and several hundred of the reason serial to find with a mysterious air men house Burgess was thrown from his wagon and sustained a compound fracture of his left arm. Tuesday night flacture of his left for Vermont.

That was the limit and died.

Matters became still worse. While driving and burned. There was no insurance.

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war. No control of the divine within. Let us be Christians.

"Whenever you speak of the divine in this age, men class you with the mystics. What is the divine? Undefined, vague, often contradictory to our natural sense. Spirit! That may mean much or little. But Christ is not indefinite. The Christ mystical ought to go out of your preaching. He is not mystical. He is an appeal to our senses. Christ is not the idealized man beyond our reach, but the perfect man within the grasp of our faith."

WARREN, Pa., Aug. II.—Mrs. Sarah A. Wetzel, wife of Rev. S. Wetzel, died last afternoon from burns. Mrs. Wetzel, who was seventy years old, lighted a lamp too the floor, when her clothing ignited. She was alone in the bouse at 4 Sixth Street. She ran out of doors, screaming in agony. Before help arrived her body was horribly burned and the woman died at few hours later.

### APPOINTMENTS WITH GOD

In Settling Human Accounts, Men Forget the Final Reckoning.

The Relative Importance of Engage. ments With Human Rulers and the King of Klugs Compared-A Not. able Sermon by the Rev. C. F. Hus

The pulpit of the First Presbyterian was filled at the II o'clock service esterday morning by the Rev. Charle F. Huss, of East McKeesport, Pa., in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. D. C. Mc-The Rev. Mr. Huss is a young man and an eloquent orator, and his ser mon yesterday was regarded as one of the best heard in this church since the re-tirement of the late Dr. Sunderland. The theme of his discourse was the en

gagement which, he said, every human being had with God, an appointment which many failed to keep, although they were ever ready to keep their engageents with friends, and especially with great men. An appointment with a king or a queen, he declared, would be kept at all hazards, when engagements with God would be broken. The underlying purrent of thought was that of punctuall ty in all things, spiritual and worldly id to this, he said, could the achieve nents of successful men be attributed, The text was found in Exodus xxxiv:2 "And be ready in the morning and come up in the morning unto Moun Sinal, and present thyself to me on the

The Rev. Mr. Huss drew attention to the importance of the conversations of distinguished men, and of the honor and privilege conferred upon ordinary who have the opportunity to make an pointment with men of prominence "It is an honor to confer with President of the United States and the ause of frequent remark is the privileg our Ambassadores enjoy in conferring with kings and princes, who entertain them in royal and luxurious fashion. And if men and peoples and governments will make such extensive preparation to meet with and extertain men in public life solemnity, and sacred responsibilitity of an appointment with the Lord of Lords

and the King of Kings, Almighty God? "And, yet this is the character of the meeting between Moses and the Lord on Mount Sinai, many, many years ago. There on Sinai's beclouded summit Moses was to come in the silent vigils of the rulers from foreign nations, not meneither politicians or statesm sophers, not angels or kings, but God

advantage in that Moses was commanded to meet the Lord early in the morning What a significant time for communic with God! The business of all religion is to make business religious and God must be supplicated before business en-gagements are fulfilled. Commercialism is a good thing for the country, creeds truth, but neither can take the place of God. We must put God before hum

God. We must put God before human ambitions and achievements in life's round of duties.

In conclusion the Rev. Mr. Huss made an appeal to his nuditors as follows:

"Well may we speak of the exalted honor of meeting distinguished men, well may we acknowledge the supreme privilege attaching to business engagements, but it is my business to inform you of your higher responsibility to meet with and enjoy the presence of your great king sooner or later. And the greatest enquiry is, 'Am I prepared to fu'all acceptably my engagement with my ammortal king?' How can you, my friend, whose spiritual vision is beclouded by sin and guile, crossed by the limpression of sorrow, shadowed by the glamor of mercantile pursuits and affected by the drive of business and pleasure, how can you be made ready for this divine appointment? How perience forbade so Utopian a dream. In this chapter he holds his readers to the thought of spotiessness as an ultimate end of their striving, but he is careful to present as well the gradual stages by which they are to reach so desirable a condition. The Christian religion has a large place for progression and development. And it seems that in this the Divine Being has but presented laws that are in harmony with his orderly way of working.

"When Adam was placed in Eden he was not perfect, in the sense in which we hope to attain perfection. Before his fall it is true that he had a negative goodness; that is, he had no vices; he was in a state of equilibrium between good and evit, capable of moving downward toward depravity or upward to the mastery and acquirement of positive virtues. The Creator had fitted up the earth as a vast laboratory for his investigation and then adjured him to attempt some positive acquirements.

"He was nut hore in the words of the was not provided that fage of this provided by the glamor of mercantile crossed by the glamor of mercantile crossed by the glamor of mercantile crossed by the glamor of mercantile nursuits and affected by the glamor of mercantile pursuits and affected by the glamor of mercantile pursuits and affected by the glamor of mercantile crossed by the glamor of mercantile pursuits and affected by the drive of business and pleasure, how can you be made from you, who may have forgotten the God of your youth, and wandered far away, forgetting even to pray, how can you, who may have forgotten the God of your youth, and wandered far away, forgetting even to pray, how can you, who may have forgotten the god of your youth, and wandered far away forgetting even to pray, how can you, who may have forgotten the god of your youth, and pleasure, how can you, who may have forgotten the seasure pray for this dwin and pleasure, how can you, who may have forgotten the seasure pursuit and pleasure, how can you, who may have forgotten the seasure pray, how can you, who may have forgo

Coset and pray to God in secret and the Father that seeth in secret, will reward these openly.

"My friends, you need the radiant countenance of christianity to take before your employer in the settling up of your accounts at the close of the busy day. You need it in the counting house, in the shop and office. You need that fage of congeniality in the home, which tells that in all things you have been sincere, honest, and unquestionably true to your God. Then through Christ God, for 'ye are Christ's and Christ is God's.'

"Men gazing upon this marvelous portraiture of the Gospel, men viewing in the attitude of prayer the image of God, will find as in Hawthorne's fables of the great Face of Stone that even while their eyes are set upon it unconsciously they are transformed into its image the likeness of Christ."

#### DIED FROM EXCESSIVE STUDY. Yale Student Overworked Himself to Secure an Education.

NYACK, N. Y., Aug. 11.-The death of Henry Stuart Dutcher, a Nyack boy who was working his way through Yale College, is attributed to exhausting labor, which overtaxed his strength. The story of his struggle to obtain an education is

Stuart, as he was called by everyone in Nyack, was a son of W. L. Dutcher, a local newsdealer and stationer. While attending the Nyack High School, from which he was graduated two years ago he devoted his spare time delivering newspapers. He was a sturdy, handsome fel-low and a splendid athlete.

Stuart was ambitious to enter college, but his parents were not able to pay his way. After his graduation from the high school he announced to his father his de termination to work his way through Yale follege. In 1898 he entered the Sheffield scientific School at New Haven.

"I am bound to succeed," he said to a riend, "and I ask nobody's assistance will make my way with my own hands. At New Haven Dutcher supported him elf and paid his college expenses by do ng odd jobs. He made many friends and ong them was Mayor Studley, of New Haven. When college closed this spring Dutcher looked about for work during the summer months. Through the influence of Mayor Studley he secured a position as motorman on the New Haven street replaces:

s motorman on the New Haven strain allway.
Stuart was overjoyed at this opportunity. He secured permission to put in extra hours and worked day and night. About the 1st of August he became ill. He kept at his work, nevertheless, until August 2, when he was compelled to take

Mrs. Studley heard that he was ill and went to see him. When she reported his condition to her husband he sent his physician, Dr. Tuttle, who acrised that theyong man be taken to the hospital, the mayor furnishing his carriage for the purpose. The doctors diagnosed Dutcher's case as typhoid fever.

Mayor Studley called at the hespital hast Sunday and talked with the sick boy, who was quite cheerful. An hour later Dutcher began to grow worse. The mayor had ordered the best of medical attendance and five doctors were called in consultation. Despite all that could be done, however, the young man died at \$350 octock in the evening. The Dutcher family was in the Adironduck Mountains, where news of Stuart's death was forwarded. They had not known that he was ill, and the tidings of his depth was a great shock. His mother was prostrated.

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#### AGAINST BRAZILIAN COFFEE. mportation Arouses Porto Rienus

Declare a Boycott. SAN JUAN, P. R., Aug. 11.-Merchants and coffee growers are greatly aroused over the importation by the last steamer of 20,000 pounds of Brazilian coffee. Mass meetings were held in several towns or the island today and resolutions adopted that all dealers and consumers of this offee should be boycotted.

pound on coffee the Brizilian product has been permitted to enter free of duty via New York and resold here at \$7, while the cheapest Porto Rican article sells at \$10 to \$12. can remedy this.

The "News" and "Hernido Espanol" ad-vise the citizens not to buy the Brazilian article and to forestall the invasion by importers. Two consignments were re-ceived by the steamer Ponce, which arrived here yesterday. The importers, in order to conceal their identity, have not as yet called for the goods, masmuch as they fear public disfavor. It was reported today, however, that the consignees were Loniba & Co.
One of the members of the firm in an

interview said they only received the coffee on commission. He said they would return the consignment and that the firm had already applied for space on the same vessel when she was on her way back to New York, Merchants, bankers, and planters have sent protests to Acting Governor Hunt, who will ask Secretary of the Treasury Gage to afford relief, if

such a thing is possible.

Governor Hunt will suggest that a construction of President McKiniey's proc-lamation of free trade between the United States and Porto Rico only removes the general tariff and does not include the special clause of section 2 of the For-aker law. Many people consider, how-ever, that this action will not have the desired effect.

#### PILLARS FOR A CATHEDRAL.

Granite Columns May Be Formed of Two Sections of Stone.

VINALHAVEN, Me., Aug. 11.-The Bodwell Granite Company, of this place, has the contract to manufacture the pillars of granite for the magnificent Cathedral of St. John the Divine, now building in New York City. These pillars are to be fifty-six feet long and six feet in diameter. There are to be eight of them. Attempts have been made to get them out in one plece, but after breaking two that plan has been temporarily, abandoned, and the pillars will probably consist of two pieces of twenty-eight feet each. The improssion prevails that this is the only way the big pillars can be manufactured.

It is said, however, by the company's management that it has not yet been definitely decided whether the company should abandon the idea of getting the

nonth are now being billed, and the of the oldest houses in the city show a volume of trade for July not even ap-proached by any previous corresponding eriod in their history.

firms pronounce the past month a record

breaker for business, and state that dur-ing the month of July trade was unprecedented. The volume of business done in the Philadelphia wholesale dry goods section, as well as that of the notion mer month within the recollection of the ildest merchants in these lines. While this city has within recent years grown amensely as a wholesale centre in these merchants anticipated any such a boom The increase in trade began early in the month and continued throughout, grow-ing as the month passed. Orders came from all sections of the Middle West and the South, and many new customers were made for the Philadelphia wholesale merhant. The boom was not confined to any particular line of goods, but took in all summer goods in the dry goods and no-tion lines. Some of the increased trade is accredited to the recent renewals of the old trades relations between Philadelphia and the South, as considerable usiness was done here for the first time ince the civil war with Southern towns

and houses which in former days made this city their regular market. Another reason given for the big busiess done the past month is that the South and the Middle West have had good times for several seasons, and if the recent drought in the West does not good times for several seasons, and it the recent drought in the West does not prove as disastrous as at first claimed a good fall and winter season is anticipated. The foremost reason, however, given for the unprecedented trade in July is that the hot spell in the latter part of June and beginning of July created an unusual demand for light summer goods of all descriptions. This spell having come at the very beginning of summer, and having been general throughout the country cast of the Mississippi River, there was a rush for light goods, and the demand became greater than the supply.

The prices rose with the demand, and the houses that had faid in good stocks have had one of the most profitable seasons in years. The boom in the dry goods trade was entirely unexpected, as July and Angust are generally considered off months, but the demand for goods came so early that merchants had a chance to obtain the desired goods, and good business throughout the trade was the result. The wholesale greecry houses are experiencing a rush of business on an entirely different basis. The great demand for their goods comes from the section that is supposed to have suffered mostly

tirely different basis. The great demand for their goods comes from the section that is supposed to have suffered mostly from the drought. Canned goods of all kinds are in great demand, and from all parts of the West, as far as the Rocky Mountains, come orders at advanced prices. Canned tomatoes, apples, all fruits and berries have cisen largely in prices. Potatoes are in great demand all over the East and West, and in most of the farming sections this crop is reported as short.

### MAJOR ALMY'S FUNERAL. The Budy to Be Taken to Philadel

phin for Burial. NEW YORK, Aug. 11.-The body Major William Ellery Almy, who died in Major William Ellery Almy, who died in Porto Rico after an operation for appen-dicitis, arrived today aboard the steam-ship San Juan and was taken to Phila-delphia for burlai. Major Almy was assigned to the Porto Rican regiment, and commanded a bat-talion at the inauguration of President McKinley.

### THE TEXAS OIL INDUSTRY.

Estimates of Marvelous Outputs of Wells Go Uncontradicted.

Spindle-Top Gusher Reputed to Yield 100,000 Barrels of Petro. leum Daily-Difficulty of Ohtaining Accurate and Reliable Information

BEAUMONT, Tex., Aug. II.-It is as serted that one of the oil gusters or Spindle Top recently poured oil into a tank at the rate of 100,000 barrels a day The remarkable feature of that assertion s not the size of the figures, but the fact that the assertion itself has not been contradicted. There can be no doubt that if the figures should be increased 50 per cent in some future report there will e no contradiction. As the great State of Texas is not accustomed to stand sec ond in a matter where mere size is cor cerned, it may be expected that before the close of the summer the claim will be made, without contradiction, that the production of any one of the wells Spindle Top exceeds the record of the most prolific oil well in the history of the world. To reach this distinction the production will have to be marked up to nearly 150,000 barrels, as the record well in the Russian oil fields actually produced 120,000 barrels a day.

The production of the wells on Spindle Top has been a curious study in arithme tical progression. When the wonderful Lucas well, the pioneer of Spindle Top, flowed unmuzzled for ten days last January, its capacity was first placed at 5.000 barrels a day. That was an under estimate; but the Texas people were novices in the oil business at that time, and they were unable to gauge an oil well's ca-pacity by the size and force of the column of oil that shot high above the derrick A few days after the discovery of the oil the assertion was put forth, with perhaps a touch of uncertainty in the tone, the the well was good for 15,000 or 15,000 har rels a day. This was promptly scoffed at, chiefly by farmers and others who knew more about Texas long horns that

The first expert estimate made of th capacity of the Lucas well was made by a prominent oil producer of Pittsburg, who visited Renument in the hope of leasing oil lands, but returned home dis gusted with the attitude of Texas landowners. This expert estimated the ca-pacity of the Lucas well at 20,000 barrels a day. It may be assumed that in his disappointed state of mind, this gentleman was not disposed to overestimate the producing capacity of the well. A short time afterward the productio

was placed at 30,000 barrels a day. There the estimates rested until the Beatty well

management that it has not yet been definitely decided whether the company should abandon the idea of getting the colossal pillars out in one piece. A two-piece pillar is now being prepared. The first two broke on the gigantic polishing the interest of the colossal pillars out in one piece. A two-piece pillar is now being prepared. The first two broke on the gigantic polishing tathe under the great pressure that is necessary to produce the smooth surface. The lathe was made expressly for this great undertaking, and cost over 150,000 it is to be company. The lathe was made expressly for this great undertaking, and cost over 150,000 it is to be company. The lathe was made expressly for this great undertaking, and cost over 150,000 it is to be company. The lathe was made expressly for this great undertaking, and cost over 150,000 it is more than 150 in the country of the undertaking may be realized when the great weight of each pillar is taken into consideration. The care that must be exercised in loosing this glant piece of granite from its native bed, squaring it for the cutters and rounding it out for the polishing lathe is extraordinary. The full length pillar in its weight, so that when polished it will weigh about 125 tons.

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was eighteen inches in diameter at the bottom and twenty-two inches at the top, it threw a solid column of oil high above the derrick. In actual height the column was perhaps the same as the height of the geyser streams sent up by the gushers on Spindle Top.

In the thicknes of column, however, there was a decided difference. In the Russian well the oil came through an aperture eighteen inches in diameter at the bottom, whereas in the case of most of the Spindle Top wells the aperture at the bottom of the well is only four inches in diameter. Thus, it will be seen, if the Russian well, with an aperture of eightteen inches, threw a column of oil as high as that from one of the Spindle Top wells, the aperture of which is only four inches, the producing capacity of the larger well would be much greater than the capacity of the smaller one.

In addition to this, it may be said, that it is a physical impossibility for 180,000 barreis of oil to pass through a 4-inch pipe in twenty-four hours at a pressure of seventy-five pounds to the square inch. HIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. II.—Although there have been no results of a definite nature, Alabamians continue to organize and formulate plans for boring for oil in different parts of the State, and in a number of instances wells are being driven. There are undoubted evidences of oil, but no deposits of a paying nature have yet been struck. The Mobile-Beaumont Oil Company has been organized by leading citizens of Mobile, including Postmaster P. D. Barker. This company has secured by option and purchase large tracts of land in the vicinity of Mobile, and will make a thorough test with deep wells. Its capital stock is \$200,000.

The leading oil company in north Alabama is the Madison Oil Company, of Huntsville, which has a capital stock is \$200,000. The stomath of the Company has engaged experts, and will make tests in the Tennessee Valley. Borings are taking place all over the State, from the Guil to the northernmost of the State in the Tennessee Valley.

will make tests in the Tennessee Valley. Borings are taking place all over the State, from the Gulf to the northernmost part of the State in the Tennessee Valley, and if there are paying deposits in Alabama, it appears almost certain that they will be struck. A great deal of money is being expended.

### AN AUDIENCE WITH POPE LEO.

Characteristics of the Venerable Head of the Catholic Church. An interesting description of an audience with Pope Leo XIII, in Rome, was given yesterday by the Rev. Charles F. of East McKeesport, Pa., who came to Washington to deliver the morning sermon yesterday at the First Presbyterian Church Last summer the Rev. Mr. Huss was traveling in Europe and on July 29 was one of a party of thirty-six to be accorded a special interview at the Vati-can. His description of the Pope is an

nteresting one. 'He is a man, austere and dignified," said he, "thoroughly consecrated to his oriestly office, and to his Maker; venera-

priestly office, and to his Maker; venerable, a man of impressive features, exceedingly grey and showing plainly his considerable years, yet withal a man of kindly and sympathetic face.

"As the Pope spoke he manifested his characteristics conservativeness, great learning, and firmness of nurpose. We spoke informally of the prospect of Papal government in Italy, and of catholicism in Europe. He believed that the establishment of universal catholicism would be a thing of the near future, and that the day was not far off when all religions would become one religion, and that one the religion of the Catholic Church. Of politics in Italy he was not communicative.

"A short time after this Pope Lee left the Vatican, and went through the streets of Rome for the first time since 1873. This he was able to do because of the death of King Humbert. I was in Manza on the day that King Humbert was assassi-nated," added the Rev. Mr. Huss, "but did not learn of what had occurred until some time afterdward."

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